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RESOLUTION NO. 09-265

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN
APPLICATION FOR I-JOBS GRANT FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT FIRE
STATION NO. 4.**

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2009, the Governor signed SF 376 that created the I-Jobs program;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the I-Jobs program is to provide funds for certain infrastructure projects;

WHEREAS, the City intends to apply for an I-Jobs grant to construct Fire Station No. 4 and said grant requires a local match of 50%;

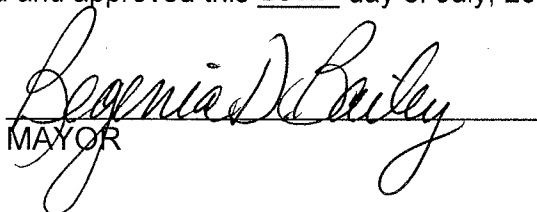
WHEREAS, if the I-Jobs grant is approved, the City will provide at least 50% local match; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the public interest will be served by applying for an I-Jobs grant application to construct Fire Station No. 4.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IOWA CITY, IOWA, THAT:

The City Manager is authorized to make application for an I-Jobs grant to construct Fire Station No. 4 and to enter into a grant agreement if the application is approved.

Passed and approved this 28th day of July, 2009.


MAYOR

ATTEST: 
CITY CLERK

 7-22-09
City Attorney's Office

It was moved by Wilburn and seconded by Wright the Resolution be adopted, and upon roll call there were:

AYES:

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NAYS:

[illegible]

ABSENT:

_____ Bailey
_____ Champion
_____ Correia
_____ Hayek
_____ O'Donnell
_____ Wilburn
_____ Wright

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July 28, 2009



Chairperson, I-JOBS Board of Directors
c/o Joseph Jones, Director of Governmental Affairs
Iowa Finance Authority
2015 Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50312

Re: City of Iowa City I-JOBS grant application for the construction of Fire Station #4 in Iowa City

Dear Mr. Jones,

On behalf of the Iowa City Area Chamber of Commerce, please accept my enthusiastic support for the construction of Fire Station #4 at the Dodge Street/Scott Boulevard intersection in Iowa City.

The safety of thousands of area employees is at risk due to inadequate response times for fire protection and emergency services. Several business owners have expressed reservations about expanding facilities in this area and lack of adequate fire protection and emergency services may economically hinder the community.

Constructing a new fire station became a top priority for Iowa City after the catastrophic flooding in June, 2008. During the flood, many of Iowa City's roads were inundated for more than a month, severely impairing travel within the community. As such, the ability for the Iowa City Fire Department to provide essential emergency response services to some major employers was significantly compromised for the duration of the flood. The construction of Fire Station #4 would ensure protection of these facilities during future flood events.

The construction of a fourth fire station represents one of our community's highest priorities. We look forward to working with state and federal partners to complete this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Quellhorst".

Nancy Quellhorst
President & CEO

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July 21, 2009

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Iowa Finance Authority
2015 Grand Avenue
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The safety and welfare of our employees is paramount. Should our organization choose to expand our current facility in Iowa City, we would like the assurance that our facility and our employees will receive prompt and adequate fire protection should the need arise. This assurance would be provided with the construction of Fire Station #4.

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Sincerely,

Richard L. Ferguson



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July 20, 2009

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jill Pitcher". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jill Pitcher
Corporate Accounting Analyst

Mercy Hospital

100 East Market Street

Iowa City, Iowa 52245



July 23, 2009

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Sincerely,

Ronald R. Reed
President & Chief Executive Officer

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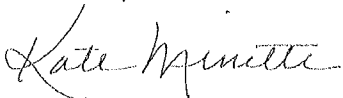
This letter is written to express my support and that of my organization, Pearson, for the project to construct Fire Station #4 at the Dodge Street/Scott Boulevard intersection in Iowa City. This project is critically important to ensure our facilities receive necessary fire protection and emergency services. It is my understanding that two of our facilities exist in a portion of town where emergency response times do not currently meet locally adopted standards.

The safety and welfare of our employees is paramount to the entire Pearson leadership team. Because we score student examinations, processing more than 80 million student assessments each year, we would like the assurance that our facilities and our employees will receive prompt and adequate fire protection should the need arise. This assurance would be provided with the construction of Fire Station #4.

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Sincerely,



Kathleen A. Minette
Senior Vice President, Operations & Scoring
Pearson

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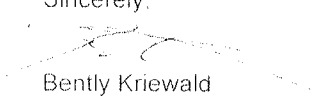
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The safety and welfare of our 150 employees is paramount. Our organization has just invested over \$11 million into our property in the heart of Iowa City. We would like the assurance that our facility and our employees will receive prompt and adequate fire protection should the need arise. This assurance would be provided with the construction of Fire Station #4.

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Bently Kriewald
General Manager, Sheraton Iowa City